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### **Register Today to Participate in a Conference for Veteran Business Owners**

Veteran Business Owners are invited to attend a conference designed help them get the inside track on doing business with the Federal Government.

The ***Guardians of Freedom and Enterprise Conference for Veteran Business Owners***, created through a partnership between the Department of Veterans Affairs, the U.S. Small Business Administration and the U.S. General Services Administration, will take place on October 19, 2004, beginning at 8:00 a.m. at historic Union Station, 30 W. Pershing Road, Kansas City, Missouri.

This is just one in a series of conferences and outreach efforts that are designed to help veterans achieve the American dream they fought hard to defend.

The unique conference will provide a venue for informational exchange, training and important business contacts for both Veteran Business Owners as well as organizations interested in doing business with Veterans.

Some of the many topics to be covered will include Public Law (PL) 106-50 (Veterans Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development Act of 1999) as well as PL 108-183 (Veterans Benefits Act of 2003), how to do business with the government and how to market business once on the Federal Supply Schedule. Attendees will also have the opportunity to network with other business owners as well as explore sub-contracting opportunities with various exhibitors that will have booths at the conference.

Both large-forum presentations as well as break-out sessions will be utilized for a more personalized learning experience.

Various noteworthy speakers plan to attend, including The Honorable Christopher S. "Kit" Bond and the Honorable Jim Talent.

Veterans and exhibitors can register for the conference by visiting [www.gsa.gov/vetevents](http://www.gsa.gov/vetevents). Questions can be directed to [KCVetConference@gsa.gov](mailto:KCVetConference@gsa.gov) or by calling Ericka Wiley at (816) 823-1722.

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